

OPS Spring Elementary Concert



The Oakes Public School presented the Elementary Spring Concert Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the OHS South Gym. Under the direction of Mrs. Riley Van Perusem and Mrs. Grace Duvall, this year's theme was "It's a Jungle Out There" and was very much enjoyed by all those in attendance. Congratulations on a great performance!

Cooper's Corner by Martha MacLeod



A sense of humor

When the snowbirds came back from Arizona I discovered that Cooper had a fan there who read the Oakes Times. Rose Stahlecker, who was our physician's assistant for many years at the Southeast Medical Center, followed Cooper's story from the time he came to Oakes last summer. He weighed only four pounds then and I thought maybe he was a runt. But no, one year old now, he has grown to fourteen pounds.

Last week, in the early morning, Cooper and I sat in the backyard with the sun to warm us. It was chilly with a breeze but back in a corner by the garage it was not windy. Cooper ran around the

yard with such joy. First he went out and paraded around showing off his fluffy white tail that sits on his rump like a pompom. The wind chimes dangled from the apple tree that is still waiting for leaves and blossoms.

Once Cooper had stretched his legs, he began to prance and the next thing I knew he was running circles in the yard and his pompom tail unwound and flew out behind him. He ran until he was huffing and puffing and plopped down on the grass in front of me. The birds were chirping and the sky was blue. It was the kind of day we dreamed about all winter when we were cooped up inside.

Cooper got up on his feet again, marched up to the deck and got a drink of water. I keep a water bowl outside for him. After running and panting, he's thirsty.

As he came down from the deck his eyes focused on me back by the garage. I could see him laughing as he came running toward me so I braced myself because I knew what he was about to do. Full speed ahead he jumped into my

lap. It always makes me laugh and I hugged him.

Then Cooper pulled a fast one on me. The garage door didn't shut like I thought it did. He went through the walk in door and out into the alley. He was free and he knew it. He ran across the alley and into a patch of dandelions. He was as cute as could be. I called and whistled until finally he came to the gate. Just as he was almost in the yard he changed his mind, turned and ran away leaving me laughing by the open gate.

It seems the only way I can get Cooper is when someone else calls him. Fortunately, Travis Engquist was out there. I asked him to get Cooper. When Travis called, the friendly Cooper with the white pompom on his rump, jumped right into his arms and Travis carried him back to me. This time I made sure the garage door was all the way down.

And so it is a day in the life of Super Cooper, Prince of MacLeod.

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The Directorships to be filled at this election are:

- (1) Three-year term from the Rural Area East of Highway 1. Monica Heimbuch has filed to be on the ballot.
- (2) Three-year term from the In Town area. Patti Jo Carlson has filed to be on

the ballot.

Ballot Question:

(1) Shall the Oakes Public School District publish the minutes of the School Board in its official newspaper.

Interested patrons wishing to vote by absentee ballot may do so by contacting Shannon Jepson, Business Manager at the Oakes Public Schools during regular business hours.

Shannon Jepson
Business Manager

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Oakes Lions

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4/18 - 4/24

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